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## ISRAEL CABINET DISCUSSES U.N. STAND ON COMPLAINT AGAINST SYRIA

JERUSALEM, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet discussed today the Security Council meeting Friday which heard Israel's complaint against Syrian attacks and the murder of Israeli citizens. There was no disclosure afterwards of what the Cabinet thought of the conclusive United Nations session. (See account of Security Council debate on page 2.)

The press, meanwhile, took the view that the Western Powers, particularly the United States, had "let down" Israel in the course of the UN debate. However, official circles privately took a more optimistic view.

These circles held that though Israel had hoped for more energetic action from the Security Council, the meeting had actually served Israel's main purpose--that of indicating to the world that she would not tolerate the Syrian murders. The powers will have to bear this warning in mind: if Syrian provocations continue in the face of UN inaction, Israel will take measures to protect the lives of her citizens in the border regions.

## LARGE-SCALE IMMIGRATION WILL STRENGTHEN ISRAEL, OFFICIAL DECLARES

JERUSALEM, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- Large-scale immigration is increasing Israel's population and is bringing nearer "normal security relationship" between Israel and the Arab countries, Shimon Peres, director general of Israel's Defense Ministry said at a public meeting here last night.

"If the Arab countries continue to threaten us, we will be able to threaten them as effectively; if they refuse to recognize our borders, we will refuse to recognize their borders," he stated.

Since the Sinai campaign, the position of Israel vis-a-vis the Arabs had changed from one in which the Arab states had the initiative to one in which either Israel or the Arabs had it, he said. When Israel is able to muster a great enough army, Mr. Peres continued, the situation will again change, with the initiative coming completely to Israel.

Speaking earlier at a symposium of top-ranking scientists at the Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovot, Mr. Peres stressed that Israel needs more application of its scientists to the practical aspects of science in order to prepare industry and agriculture for the absorption of the huge immigration wave now beginning to reach the shores of the country. He placed emphasis on "practical science" as against pure science, and urged the scientists to draft a plan to use scientific knowledge for the improvement of the nation's living standard.

### Israel Govt. Charged by Scientist with "Neglecting" Atomic Research

Dr. Amos De Shalit, head of the department of nuclear research at Weizmann Institute, challenged the government's attitude toward the scientific community. He said the government had failed to make use of Israel's scientific capabilities and had not helped extend this scientific potential.

Specifically, Prof. De Shalit blamed the government for "neglecting" atomic research and for failing to enforce cooperation among the three leading institutions engaged in nuclear research--the Weizmann Institute, Haifa Technion and Hebrew University. Instead, he continued, the government set up a "fourth institute" devoted to atomic research.

Prof. Joel Rakach, a member of the Atomic Energy Commission, supported Dr. De Shalit's views, claiming that much energy and skill devoted to nuclear studies was wasted by duplication among the various institutions. The work done by the "fourth institute," he insisted, could have been accomplished by the previously existing institutions. Moreover, he added, the work of the so called fourth institute was "sealed" from scientists; there was some contact on the "top level" between department heads, but no cooperation among research workers. Finally, Dr. Rakach called for speeding up the work of the Atomic Energy Commission.

## ISRAEL ABOLISHES RATIONING; MOVE DUE TO INCREASE IN LOCAL PRODUCE

JERUSALEM, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- Rationing was abolished today of all edibles and consumer goods. The move was made possible by an improved supply situation, chiefly as a result of increased supplies of local produce. Many items which have never before been off the ration list will now be available at competitive prices on the open market.

# MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSION KILLS THREE IN ISRAEL COLONY; FOURTH WOUNDED

TEL AVIV, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- Three youthful Israelis were killed and a fourth seriously wounded today by a mysterious explosion in a vacant house in the Zavdiel settlement in the Lachish area.

A major rain and windstorm lashing the area interfered with investigation of the affair, but first reports said that a suspicious parcel brought into the building was responsible for the blast, which wrecked the building and tore a huge crater in the ground below it. It was ascertained that the explosion was not the result of an attack from without.

The dead, all members of the Livni family, are: Israel, 18; Etzioni, 11, and Moshe, 9. The settlement was established in 1950, settled chiefly by Yemenite families, and is affiliated with the Agudas Israel movement.

## U. N. SECURITY COUNCIL DISCUSSES ISRAEL'S COMPLAINT AGAINST SYRIA

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Feb. 1. (JTA) -- The United Nations Security Council considered during the week-end Israel's complaint against repeated attacks on Israel territory from Syria, and particularly the killing of an Israeli shepherd by Syrian fire on January 23. The Council adjourned without taking any decision and without setting a date for another meeting. All speakers urged full use of the United Nations machinery established by the Israel-Syrian armistice agreement, especially of the Mixed Armistice Commission. (See Israel Cabinet reaction on Page 1.)

Ambassador Abba Eban, head of the Israel delegation, told the Security Council that the Syrian attack in which the shepherd was killed is "not an isolated incident." He emphasized that the body was found in Israel territory where the entire engagement took place and that the assault was made by the Syrians outside of the demilitarized zone and in place where the frontier is clearly marked.

Pointing out that the whole of Israel is a frontier, Mr. Eban said: "Nowhere do men live and work far from the presence of hostile guns. If shepherds peacefully grazing their flocks can be killed by foreign forces from across the frontier, it affects the physical security of the entire nation. No government can accept a situation in which the machine-gun posts of a foreign country are free to kill its citizens and to surround peaceful work on its territory with constant danger. The Government of Israel will not accept this position."

### Eban Outlines Three Alternatives; Soviet Delegate Attacks Israel

There are now only three alternatives for Israel, Ambassador Eban told the Security Council. "One is to suffer the repetition of such assaults. This is clearly inconceivable. Another is to withstand such aggression by direct action in self-defense. This could be effectively done, but it is desirable on the broadest international grounds to see this as a last, not a first, resort. The third alternative is to seek the aid of the organ on which the members of the United Nations have conferred responsibility for international security, in the hope that its members will express their opinion in support of the cease-fire provisions of the General Armistice Agreement."

Mr. Eban urged that "an injunction rigorously binding on the Syrian forces" be issued by the United Nations to observe the cease-fire along the border. He noted that this is the third occasion within a few weeks on which a Syrian assault has had fatal consequences. "The attacks themselves, however, have been of more constant occurrence," he said. "During the period covered by the complaint of December 4 and the present complaint, Israel has submitted 253 complaints to the Mixed Armistice Commission about penetrations by Syrian forces, 22 complaints of firing--and 229 less serious complaints. There has been a far smaller number of Syrian complaints."

United States delegate Henry Cabot Lodge said both Israel and the United Arab Republic should give strict orders to their frontier contingents to refrain from firing except in obvious self-defense. But he added that better use should be made of the United Nations pacification machinery set up after the 1949 armistice between Israel and her Arab neighbors--specifically the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization and the Mixed Armistice Commission.

Soviet delegate Georgi Arkadev claimed that Mr. Eban had attempted to "exaggerate" the importance of the incidents. "It must be kept in mind that the Israeli shepherds are armed not like their Biblical predecessors with staffs, but with machine-guns," he declared. He charged Israel with "ignoring" the U. N. Mixed Armistice Commission and said that Mr. Eban had "studiously avoided" any explanation of why Israel was "boycotting" this commission.

The impression could not be avoided that Israel, in presenting its complaints to the Security Council, was in no way interested in maintaining the Armistice Agreement but was attempting to justify its lack of desire to cooperate with the Arab states in the established UN machinery, said Mr. Arkadev in conclusion. The Security Council should call upon Israel to observe strictly the provisions of the Armistice Agreement and to cooperate with the organs established by it, he stated.

## U.S. JEWISH GROUPS CALL EMERGENCY PARLEY ON EAST EUROPEAN EMIGRATION

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- The presidents of 19 major national Jewish organizations have issued an urgent call to their top leadership in communities across the United States to join in a special conference which will deal with the emergency situation created by a sudden emigration of Jews from Eastern Europe. The meeting is to take place in New York on Sunday, February 15. All the deliberations will be conducted in executive session.

Organizations participating in the call to the conference are as follows: American Jewish Committee, American Jewish Congress, American Zionist Committee for Public Affairs, American Zionist Council, B'nai B'rith, Hadassah, Jewish Agency for Israel, Jewish Labor Committee, Jewish War Veterans of the United States, Labor Zionist Assembly, National Committee for Labor Israel, National Council of Jewish Women, National Council of Young Israel, Religious Zionist Movement Mizrahi-Hapoel Hamizrachi, United Roumanian Jews of America, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, United Synagogue of America, and Zionist Organization of America.

A nationwide telephone hook-up giving close to 10,000 Jewish leaders in more than 100 communities across the country a report on last-minute developments in the fast-moving East European immigration crisis will take place on Monday, February 9. The unique leader-to-leader communication was set up by the United Jewish Appeal as part of its 1959 campaign activity.

Coming two days after the UJA's Inaugural Conference in Miami Beach, at which more than 1,000 key Jewish figures from all sections of the United States are expected to set the urgent pace and standard of giving for the 1959 campaign, the telephone report will be given by Morris W. Bernstein, general chairman of the UJA, and Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, UJA executive vice-chairman. The latter has just returned from a trip to East Europe. He will give an eyewitness report of the huge migration from that area to Israel.

### Detroit Stirred by Rumanian Emigration; 110 Jews Pledge \$1,913,785

DETROIT, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- Deeply moved by reports of the new migration of Jews from Rumania to Israel and stirred to action by an eloquent appeal for continued generosity from American Jewry made by Avraham Harman, member of the Jewish Agency executive in Israel, pre-campaign leaders, gathered at the annual and traditional Sucher Meeting here, pledged the sum of \$1,913,785 towards the 1959 Allied Jewish Campaign. The pledgers of this sum--a record figure for initiating a local philanthropic effort--last year contributed \$1,713,960.

The Sucher Meeting was the seventh annual such gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. William Sucher. It has become a tradition here to open the Allied Jewish Campaign with a social event for larger contributors at the Suchers' home. Many of the 110 people at the meeting made very large increases in their giving, and a number of contributors gave as much as 25 to 50 percent above their last year's gifts. Several doubled their pledges.

Mr. Harman said that there are 1,100,000 Jews who are prepared to leave a number of countries. These people, he said, have been denied until now freedom of movement. With permission granted to many to leave for Israel, he indicated that close to 100,000 may be expected to leave Rumania alone this year. He warned that a similar mass movement may soon take place from Morocco, and he admonished the Detroit campaign leaders to be prepared for action and to assist in the unprecedented work to meet the challenge in the new crisis.

Describing the difficulties that are faced by Israel in solving the challenging problems created by the large waves of immigration, Mr. Harman said that the newcomers will need work and will meet with many disappointments. "It's not easy to be a migrant at 40 and to become adjusted to new occupations," he said. "But it is not a calamity but a great challenge and an opportunity to push forward reconstruction on a basis of dignity and freedom. I am confident that you will rise to new heights as a Jewish community in this historic campaign."

### SPRINZAK BURIED AT MT. HERZL; KNESSET TOMOURN HIS DEATH FOR A WEEK

JERUSALEM, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- Joseph Sprinzak, first Speaker of the Knesset and once Acting President of Israel, was laid to rest in the national cemetery on Mt. Herzl Friday, following a four-hour funeral of state.

The services, which began at the Knesset building, where the remains of Mr. Sprinzak had lain in state since Thursday morning, were attended by President Itzhak Ben Zvi, Premier David Ben Gurion, members of Parliament, leaders of the Jewish Agency, Supreme Court justices and people from every walk of life in Israel. The entire diplomatic corps and representatives of the Arab Christian and Moslem communities attended.

The Knesset of Israel will hold no business sessions next week in memory of Mr. Sprinzak. At the grave, Premier Ben Gurion spoke of Mr. Sprinzak's dedication to an "ideal, a mission and a vision" for half a century.

## HADASSAH NATIONAL CONFERENCE URGES CONGRESS TO ACT ON BIGOTRY

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- Hadassah leaders from all parts of the country, representing 318,000 members today started their four-day mid-winter national conference here with an address by Dr. Miriam K. Freund, president of the organization, devoted primarily to a plea for Congressional action against racial and religious hate and bigotry.

Emphasizing that it is imperative that Congress act at once to ban distribution of hate literature through the U.S. mails, Dr. Freund stated: "We feel it to be equally imperative for Congress to pass legislation that would make it unlawful for hate groups to solicit funds through the mails. We are gratified to know that bills containing both of these provisions are now pending before the Congress. These bills have our whole-hearted support and we hope and urge that they will be enacted into law as swiftly as possible. This we consider to be a first duty of the 86th Congress."

Dr. Freund stressed that "the time has come for every decent American to join in a campaign against hate and bigotry throughout the United States. In this campaign, it is up to the President of the United States to take the lead," she said. "We were gratified with President Eisenhower's statement following the bombing of the synagogue in Atlanta, Georgia, last October. But this was last October. Must we wait until the outbreak of further violence before Presidential statements are issued on a condition as crucial as this? We need more statements by our President to arouse the American people against our enemies from within."

"We need more statements against hate and bigotry from the heads of Federal and State Executive Departments, from members of Congress, State Legislatures, educators, newspapers, radio and television stations. We must let the hatemongers in America know that there is no room for them here. We must let the hatemongers know that decent Americans are on the march against bigotry and violence."

Dr. Freund asserted that the increasing distribution of hate literature throughout the United States "betrays an apathy on the part of Americans toward this crucial problem." This, she added, must be remedied "through a total effort, spearheaded by the leaders of our nation as well as by organizations that are alive to the grave threat this condition poses to the United States. We cannot afford to let this situation go unchallenged. We cannot afford to let a brigade of bigots undermine American freedom and defame the American image at home and abroad."

Mrs. Alexander M. Dushkin, chairman of the Hadassah Council in Israel, addressing the session, paid tribute to Hadassah members for all they "have done and are doing" to help Israel. In discussing the anticipated arrival of 100,000 new immigrants in Israel from Eastern Europe, Mrs. Dushkin declared that Hadassah facilities are now being readied to help meet the medical and vocational education needs of the newcomers.

## JERSEY CITY AGREES TO DISCONTINUE RELIGIOUS CENSUS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Feb. 1. (JTA) -- The Jersey City Board of Education has agreed to discontinue religious censuses in the city's public schools following a complaint by the American Jewish Congress to the State Education Commissioner, the AJC revealed today. The complaint was filed only after informal talks failed to obtain abandonment of the practice.

For several years, the Jersey City school authorities have required children to fill out questionnaires listing their church affiliation. The AJC complaint charged that this practice represented an "exploitation of public school facilities" in violation of Constitutional guarantees of separation of church and state.

Adrian M. Unger, president of the New Jersey Region of AJC, said that Congress opposition to a religious census in the public schools did not stem from any "antagonism to religious instruction but from the deep conviction that complete separation between state and religion is best for the state and best for religion."

## JEWISH DAILY FORWARD SETTLES DISPUTE; WILL CONTINUE PUBLICATION

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- The Jewish Daily Forward announced this week-end that agreements had been reached with employees assuring continuation of publication. The Yiddish-language daily earlier had said it would have to suspend on February 8 unless labor costs were reduced.

Alexander Kahn, general manager of the sixty-one-year-old newspaper, said the agreements provided for a reduction of about 15 percent of the 250 employees and a tightening up on overtime work. The newspaper has a circulation of 80,000.

## J. W. B. ESTABLISHES BODY TO DEAL WITH SHORTAGE OF CENTER WORKERS

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. (JTA) -- The National Jewish Welfare Board announced today that a new Committee on Recruitment has been set up to help alleviate the critical shortage of professional social group workers and health and physical education personnel in Jewish community centers and YM-YWHA's.